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1. According to statistics, the Kwisong salt fields (125-09, 38-50) originally developed by the Japanese and employing 1,343 persons, were producing between March and October of each year approximately 12,000 tons of salt monthly. Acre yield averaged between three and five tons each month. The total acreage of the 12 salt fields approximated 3,489 acres, and of the building area, 181 acres. Six or seven freight cars carried the salt to the Kwisong railway station three times each day. Eight to twelve freight cars trans-shipped the salt to Chinnamp'o daily. 57,000 tons of salt were stockpiled on the Kwisong fields. Maximum production was being achieved.

2. The 1,200 workers, 92 foremen, and 20 technicians, employed at the salt fields 13 hours each day, received 30 won and 5.7 hop<sup>2</sup> of rice daily. The workers were charged 316 won monthly for a ration of three tu<sup>2</sup> of white rice. The 36 factory officials and office workers received three and one-half hop daily. Dependents received two hop daily. KIM S6-ch'on (金瑞川), 40 years old and imprisoned for three years by the Japanese for the conduct of Communist activities, was manager of the salt enterprise. Other officials included the following:

YI Chong-mu (李貞求), 32 years old, assistant manager.

KIM In-t (金仁淡), 32 years old, director, staff personnel section.

YI Nam-uk (李南植), 29 years old, director, finance section.

YI Ki-wong (李基洲), 34 years old, director, production section.

PAK Kun-sik (朴根植), 27 years old, director, labor section.

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YIM Mun-ho (尹文浩), 39 years old, head of the 1 district of the salt fields.

PAK Hyong-sik (朴亨植), 36 years old, head of the 2 district of the salt fields.

YIM Pyong-kil (林炳吉), 29 years old, head of the 3 district of the salt fields.

PAK Song-tong (朴성동), 50 years old, head of the 4 district of the salt fields.

KO Yong-sok (高用錫), 42 years old, field director of the 4 district.

HAN I-hyon (韓이현), 35 years old, cell leader of the 4 district.

3. [REDACTED] the Kwangyang-ni (125-13, 38-45) [REDACTED] salt field, managed by CH'OE Pyong-hun (崔平勳), 36 years old, was shipping approximately 200 straw sacks of salt each night to the soy sauce plant at P'yong-ch'on-ni (125-43, 39-00) [REDACTED]. Output of this plant included 50 drums of sauce, 20 drums of soybean cheese, 30 drums of pepper cheese, and 30 drums of powdered cheese. The salt field employed approximately 880 workers.

4. The Ch'onma-dong (125-36, 38-16) [REDACTED] iron mine, yielding 12 tons daily of powdered iron, gold, and lead and managed by CHO Tae-yun, employed 1,200 men and 60 women in [REDACTED]. The powdered mineral was being transported in Soviet trucks to Paengma railroad station (124-33, 40-04) [REDACTED] for trans-shipment to the Soviet Union. HONG Kun-su (洪君守), 52 years old, was assistant manager.

5. The monazite mines at Ch'olsan (124-40, 39-46) [REDACTED] managed by YI Song-su (이성수), 47 years old, and employing 22,000 men and 200 women, was shipping 60 tons of monazite to the Soviet Union by rail each night. The daily production quota for each worker was 20 kilograms. The mine was being operated 24 hours a day.

6. [REDACTED] the monazite industry at Samch'on-ni (125-19, 38-22) comprising four mines, was producing 2,050 kilograms of the mineral each day. [REDACTED] the monazite had been packed daily at the mines in 60-kilogram lots and moved to the Samch'on-ni hot springs resort for transport to Yangdok by ox cart or, less frequently, to Pyongyang by rail. The first mine at Changton-ri (張平里), managed by KIM Ki-song, 34 years old, and employing 400 persons, was producing 500 kilograms daily. Male employees between the ages of 18 and 60 and female employees between the ages of 18 and 55 had been recruited either among village citizens or from youth associations of other counties. The second mine at Namch'ang-ni (125-08, 38-27) [REDACTED] employed 450 persons and produced 500 kilograms daily. More than 80 percent of the 400 persons employed at the third mine at Sansong-ni, Namhu-myon (125-16, 38-29) [REDACTED] had been residents of the village. This mine produced daily 450 kilograms of monazite. The fourth mine at Sokch'on-ni (125-12, 38-26) [REDACTED] employing 500 persons, of whom 400 had been recruited within the village, produced 600 kilograms each day. The thorium content by weight of the monazite of mines one and four

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averaged 40 percent and of the monazite of mines two and three, 35 percent. 2,000 kilograms of monazite were stockpiled at mine one and 5,000 kilograms at mine two. The wage rate was scaled to the thorium content of the individual's product.

7. [REDACTED] the Mineral Property Custodian Bureau in the Chilbul-ri air-raid shelter, Pyongyang, under Yi Sun-ch'ŏl (李 淳 勳), 45 years old and deputy chairman of the South Pyongan Labor Party, controlled all North Korean mineral warehouses. The largest warehouse was at Sanghŭng-ni (125-44, 39-03) [REDACTED]. Personnel attached to the bureau included the following:

PAEK Nam-ki (白南基), 40 years old, deputy manager and director, staff personnel.

PAK Yŏng-hui (朴英熙), director, inspection section.

KIM Yŏng-chun (金永俊), director, accounting section.

CHŎE Sŏn-yŏng (崔 淳 永), director, warehouse section.

NA Sŏk-p'yo (羅 錫 杓), director, administration section.

YI Sun-hui (李 順 熙), director, document section.

SŎ Tu-hui (徐 斗 姬), director, trade union section.

- 25X1A 1. [REDACTED] Comment. Yearly production of the Kwisong salt field has been estimated at 72,000 tons. [REDACTED] one-half of the output was being shipped to Antung. See [REDACTED] 25X1A
- 25X1A 2. [REDACTED] Comment. One hop is equivalent to three-tenths of a pint. One tu is equivalent to one-half of one bushel or approximately 30 pounds of rice.
- 25X1A 3. [REDACTED] Comment. A study of the production, equipment, and staff of the Ch'ŏisan monazite mines, managed by KIM Sŏng-su, was reported in [REDACTED] 25X1A

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